



12-23-BOD (2023 Business) Minutes  
Nottawasaga Valley Conservation Authority  
Jan 26, 2024 at 9:00 AM EST

## **Attendance**

### **Present:**

Mayor Scott W. Anderson, Adjala-Tosorontio (Township); Cllr. Joe Belanger, Wasaga Beach (Town); Cllr. Phil Fisher, Springwater (Township); Cllr. Nicole Cox, New Tecumseth (Town); Cllr. Kyle Fegan, Shelburne (Town); Cllr. Gary Harvey, Barrie (City); Mayor Janet Horner, Mulmur (Township); Cllr. Pieter Kiezebrink, Essa (Township); Deputy Mayor Gail Little, Amaranth (Township); Cllr. Joel Loughead, Grey Highlands (Municipality); Cllr. June Porter, The Bule Mountains (Town); Cllr. Richard Schell, Oro-Medonte (Township) *arrived at 9:12am*; Cllr. Jonathan Scott, Bradford West Gwillimbury (Town); Mayor Darren White, Melancthon (Township); Cllr. Kevin Eisses, Innisfil (Town)

### **Absent:**

Cllr. Christopher Baines, Collingwood (Town); Cllr. Ralph Manktelow, Mono (Town); Deputy Mayor Paul Van Staveren, Clearview (Township)

### **NVCA Staff:**

Sheryl Flannagan, Director, Corporate Services; Doug Hevenor, Chief Administrative Officer; Chris Hibberd, Director, Watershed Management Services; Kyra Howes, Director, Conservation Services; Kerry Jenkins, Administrative Assistant/Recorder

## **1. Events**

### **Elopement Giveaway:**

NVCA has partnered with Lauren Andrew Events and a team of local vendors to giveaway elopement experience at the Tiffin Centre for Conservation Area. Couples can bring up to 2 guests to witness you tie the knot!

**Date:** February 22, 2024

**Location:** Tiffin Centre for Conservation

### **Tiffin Nature Program (for preschoolers):**

Tiffin Nature Program will help preschoolers gain knowledge, understanding and appreciation of the natural world and our amazing planet. Children learn about risky play, and develop a better understanding of their relationship with the land.

**Half Day Dates:** Tuesdays December 5, 2023 – March 5, 2024

**Full Day Dates:** Thursdays December 7, 2023 – March 7, 2024

**Location:** Tiffin Centre for Conservation

**PA/PD Day Camp Tiffin:**

Camp Tiffin encourages outdoor exploration, guided excursions in the forest fueled by student interest. Every day will be guided by student inquiry, seasonal changes, and weather and program availability.

**Date:** Friday, January 26, 2024 from 9:00 a.m. – 4 p.m.

**Location:** Tiffin Centre for Conservation

**2. Call to Order**

Chair Gail Little called the meeting to order at 9:05am.

**3. Land Acknowledgement**

The Nottawasaga Valley Conservation Authority Board acknowledges that we are situated on the traditional land of the Anishinaabeg. The Anishinaabeg include the Odawa, Saulteaux, Anishinaabeg, Mississauga and Algonquin who spoke several languages including Anishinaabemowin and Potawatomi. We are dedicated to honouring Indigenous history and culture and committed to moving forward in the spirit of reconciliation and respect with all First Nation, Métis and Inuit people.

**4. Declaration of Pecuniary and Conflict of Interest**

**5. Motion to Adopt the Agenda**

Recommendation:

*RES: 77-23*

Moved by: Cllr. Kevin Eisses

Seconded by: Vice-Chair Jonathan Scott

**RESOLVED THAT:** the agenda for the Board of Directors meeting #12-23-BOD dated on January 26, 2024 be approved.

**Carried;**

**6. Announcements**

Sheryl Flannagan, Director, Corporate Services provided an update regarding status of hiring within the Watershed Management Department.

**7. Presentations**

Chair Gail Little conducted a presentation regarding NVCA's 2023 Year in Review.

**7.1. Our Forests, Our Future**

Rob Keen, Executive Director of the Canadian Tree Nursery Association-Association Canadienne des Pépinières Forestières spoke regarding Our Forests, Our Future.

**8. Deputations**

There were no deputations at this time.

## 9. Hearings

There were no hearings at this time.

## 10. Determination of Items Requiring Separate Discussion

Board members are requested to identify items from the Consent List that they wish to have considered for separate discussion.

## 11. Adoption of Consent List and Identification of Items Requiring Separate Discussion

Recommendation:

*RES: 78-23*

Moved by: Cllr. Pieter Kiezebrink

Seconded by: Mayor Scott W. Anderson

**RESOLVED THAT:** agenda item number(s), n/a was identified as requiring separate discussion, be referred for discussion under Agenda Item #12; and

**FURTHER THAT:** all Consent List Agenda Items not referred for separate discussion be adopted as submitted to the board and staff be authorized to take all necessary action required to give effect to same; and

**FURTHER THAT:** any items in the Consent List not referred for separate discussion, and for which conflict has been declared, are deemed not to have been voted on or discussed by the individual making the declaration.

**Carried;**

## 12. Consent List

### 12.1. Adoption of Minutes

Recommendation:

*Approved by Consent*

**RESOLVED THAT:** the minutes of the Board of Directors meeting 11-23-BOD dated on December 8, 2023 be approved.

#### 12.1.1. Adoption of Agricultural Advisory Committee Minutes

Recommendation:

*Approved by Consent*

**RESOLVED THAT:** the minutes of the Agricultural Advisory Committee meeting 03-23-AAC dated on December 7, 2023 be approved.

### 12.2. Staff Reports

#### 12.2.1. Staff Report No. 57-12-23-BOD from Maria Leung, Senior Communications Specialist

Recommendation:

*Approved by Consent*

**RESOLVED THAT:** Staff Report No. 57-12-23-BOD regarding NVCA Communications – *November 25, 2023 – January 12, 2024*, be received.

**13. Other Business**

There were no other business at this time.

**14. Adjourn to Board of Directors 2024 Annual General Meeting and Elections**

Recommendation:

*RES: 79-23*

Moved by: Vice-Chair Jonathan Scott

Seconded by: Mayor Janet Horner

**RESOLVED THAT:** this meeting adjourn at 10:03am and the position of the Chair be vacant.

**Carried;**